



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 21, 2001

H.R. 640 **Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Boundary** **Adjustment Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 16, 2001

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 640 would not significantly affect the federal budget. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 640 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 640 would expand the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area in California to include about 3,700 acres of nonfederal lands. The bill specifies that the federal government could acquire lands within the proposed expansion area only by donation or with donated funds. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, a California state agency, owns roughly three-quarters of the lands within the proposed expansion area. According to the National Park Service (NPS) and the conservancy, under H.R. 640, the conservancy would donate those lands to the federal government so that they may be managed for critical wildlife habitat. Based on information from the NPS, we estimate that the agency would incur additional costs to manage the donated lands, but that such costs would be negligible.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Megan Carroll. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.